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Revised Fiscal Note

(replaces fiscal note dated February 1, 2023)

Drafting Number: LLS 23-0648 **Date:** February 22, 2023 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Joseph; Kipp **Bill Status:** Senate Transportation

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Bill Topic:	REQUIRE ELECTRIC OPTIONS IN HOME WARRANTIES	
Summary of Fiscal Impact:	☑ State Revenue☑ State Expenditure☐ State Transfer	□ TABOR Refund□ Local Government□ Statutory Public Entity
	The bill requires home service warranty contracts to include an option to replace gas-fueled appliances with similar electric appliances. Starting in FY 2023-24, the bill may minimally impact state revenue and workload on an ongoing basis.	
Appropriation Summary:	No appropriation is required.	
Fiscal Note Status:	This revised fiscal note reflects the reengrossed bill.	

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires home service warranty contracts that provide coverage for gas-fueled appliances to allow the homeowner to replace gas-fueled appliances with electric powered appliances of their choosing. Replacement appliances must meet state efficiency requirements and the contract may require a homeowner to pay any additional cost above the cost of a new gas-fueled appliance. Specifically, the bill requires that a homeowner be allowed to:

- replace furnaces, HVAC systems, boilers, or water heaters with a heat pump-based system; and
- replace a gas-fueled stove with either an electric stove or an induction stove.

State Revenue and Expenditures

Starting in FY 2023-24, the bill may minimally increase state revenue and expenditures in the Judicial Department and may minimally increase workload in the Department of Law (DOL) as described below.

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Judicial Department. The bill impacts contracts between private parties. To the extent that disputes arise, the bill may minimally increase state revenue from filing fees, as well as workload for the trial courts. The fiscal note assumes high compliance with the bill and no change in appropriations is required.

Department of Law. If consumer complaints are filed with the DOL regarding the administration of home warranty service contracts, then the Consumer Protection Division in the DOL will assess the complaints for further action within existing budget resources. No change in appropriations is required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed. It applies to home warranty service contracts executed or renewed on or after January 1, 2024.

State and Local Government Contacts

Judicial	Law	Regulatory Agencies
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